GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:584
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KEROSENE TO GUJARAT
PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL;PUSHPDAN SHAMBHUDAN GADHAVI

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the demand for kerosene is constantly increasing in rural and urban areas due to power shortage in Gujarat particularly in backward districts of Kutch;

(b) whether the Union Government are contemplating to hike the quota of kerosene to the drought prone areas of Gujarat to enable them to meet the rising demand of kerosene; and

(c) if so the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a): Government make kerosene allocation to the States/Union Territories for distribution under the Public Distribution System. State Government of Gujarat undertakes distribution of the product to urban, rural and drought prone areas etc., within the allocation made by the Government.

(b) : Government has not received any such request to hike the quota of kerosene from the Government of Gujarat.

(c) : Does not arise.